

## CHAPTER 4

**B**EHOLD, thou *art* fair, my love; behold, thou *art* fair; thou *hast* doves' eyes within thy locks: thy hair *is* as a flock of goats, that appear from mount Gilead.

2 Thy teeth *are* like a flock of sheep that *are* even shorn, which came up from the washing; whereof every one bear twins, and none *is* barren among them.

3 Thy lips *are* like a thread of scarlet, and thy speech *is* comely: thy temples *are* like a piece of a pomegranate within thy locks.

4 Thy neck *is* like the tower of David builded for an armoury, whereon there hang a thousand bucklers, all shields of mighty men.

5 Thy two breasts *are* like two young roes that *are* twins, which feed among the lilies.

6 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.

7 Thou *art* all fair, my love; *there is* no spot in thee.

8 ¶ Come with me from Lebanon,

*my* spouse, with me from Lebanon: look from the top of Amana, from the top of Shenir and Hermon, from the lions' dens, from the mountains of the leopards.

9 Thou hast ravished my heart, my sister, *my* spouse; thou hast ravished my heart with one of thine eyes, with one chain of thy neck.

10 How fair is thy love, my sister, *my* spouse! how much better is thy love than wine! and the smell of thine ointments than all spices!

11 Thy lips, O *my* spouse, drop *as* the honeycomb: honey and milk *are* under thy tongue; and the smell of thy garments *is* like the smell of Lebanon.

12 A garden inclosed *is* my sister, *my* spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.

13 Thy plants *are* an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; camphire, with spikenard,

14 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices:

15. A fountain of gardens, a well

of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.

16 ¶ Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, *that* the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.

## CHAPTER 5

**I**AM come into my garden, my sister, *my* spouse: I have gathered my myrrh with my spice; I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my wine with my milk: eat, O friends; drink, yea, drink abundantly, O beloved.

2 ¶ I sleep, but my heart waketh: *it is* the voice of my beloved that knocketh, *saying*, Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled: for my head is filled with dew, *and* my locks with the drops of the night.

3 I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on? I have washed my feet; how shall I defile them?

4 My beloved put in his hand by the hole *of the door*, and my bowels were moved for him.

5 I rose up to open to my beloved; and my hands dropped *with* myrrh, and my fingers *with* sweet smelling myrrh, upon the handles of the lock.

6 I opened to my beloved; but my beloved had withdrawn himself, *and* was gone: my soul failed when he spake: I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me no answer.

7 The watchmen that went about the city found me, they smote me, they wounded me; the keepers of the walls took away my veil from me.

8 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved, that ye tell him, that I *am* sick of love.

9 ¶ What *is* thy beloved more than *another* beloved, O thou fairest among women? what *is* thy beloved more than *another* beloved, that thou dost so charge us?

10 My beloved *is* white and ruddy, the chiefest among ten thousand.

11 His head *is as* the most fine gold, his locks *are* bushy, *and* black as a raven.

12 His eyes *are as the eyes* of doves by the rivers of waters, washed with milk, *and* fitly set.

13 His cheeks *are as* a bed of spices, *as* sweet flowers: his lips *like* lilies, dropping sweet smelling myrrh.

14 His hands *are as* gold rings

set with the beryl: his belly *is as* bright ivory overlaid *with* sapphires.

15 His legs *are as* pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold: his countenance *is as* Lebanon, excellent as the cedars.

16 His mouth *is* most sweet: yea, he *is* altogether lovely. This *is* my beloved, and this *is* my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.

## CHAPTER 6

**W**HITHER is thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women? whither is thy beloved turned aside? that we may seek him with thee.

2 My beloved is gone down into his garden, to the beds of spices, to feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies.

3 I *am* my beloved's, and my beloved *is* mine: he feedeth among the lilies.

4 ¶ Thou *art* beautiful, O my love, as Tirzah, comely as Jerusalem, terrible as *an army* with banners.

5 Turn away thine eyes from me, for they have overcome me: thy hair *is* as a flock of goats that appear from Gilead.

6 Thy teeth *are* as a flock of sheep which go up from the washing, whereof every one beareth

twins, and *there is* not one barren among them.

7 As a piece of a pomegranate *are* thy temples within thy locks.

8 There are threescore queens, and fourscore concubines, and virgins without number.

9 My dove, my undefiled is *but* one; she *is* the *only* one of her mother, she *is* the choice *one* of her that bare her. The daughters saw her, and blessed her; yea, the queens and the concubines, and they praised her.

10 ¶ Who *is* she *that* looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, *and* terrible as *an army* with banners?

11. I went down into the garden of nuts to see the fruits of the valley, *and* to see whether the vine flourished, *and* the pomegranates budded.

12 Or ever I was aware, my soul made me *like* the chariots of Amminadib.

13 Return, return, O Shulamite; return, return, that we may look upon thee. What will ye see in the Shulamite? As it were the company of two armies.

## CHAPTER 7

**H**OW beautiful are thy feet with shoes, O prince's daughter! the

joints of thy thighs *are* like jewels, the work of the hands of a cunning workman.

2 Thy navel *is like* a round goblet, *which* wanteth not liquor: thy belly *is like* an heap of wheat set about with lilies.

3 Thy two breasts *are* like two young roes *that are* twins.

4 ¶ Thy neck *is* as a tower of ivory; thine eyes *like* the fishpools in Heshbon, by the gate of Bathrabbim: thy nose *is* as the tower of Lebanon which looketh toward Damascus.

5 Thine head upon thee *is* like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple; the king *is* held in the galleries.

6 How fair and how pleasant art thou, O love, for delights!

7 This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters of grapes.

8 I said, I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof: now also thy breasts shall be as clusters of the vine, and the smell of thy nose like apples;

9 And the roof of thy mouth like the best wine for my beloved, that goeth *down* sweetly, causing the lips of those that are asleep to speak.

10 ¶ I *am* my beloved's, and his desire *is* toward me.

11 Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages.

12 Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish, *whether* the tender grape appear, *and* the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my loves.

13 The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates *are* all manner of pleasant *fruits*, new and old, *which* I have laid up for thee, O my beloved.

## CHAPTER 8

**O**THAT thou *wert* as my brother, that sucked the breasts of my mother! *when* I should find thee without, I would kiss thee; yea, I should not be despised.

2 I would lead thee, *and* bring thee into my mother's house, *who* would instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine of the juice of my pomegranate.

3 His left hand *should be* under my head, and his right hand should embrace me.

4 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, until he please.

5. Who *is* this that cometh up



from the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved? I raised thee up under the apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth: there she brought thee forth *that* bare thee.

6 ¶ Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love *is* strong as death; jealousy *is* cruel as the grave: the coals thereof *are* coals of fire, *which hath* a most vehement flame.

7 Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if *a* man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.

8 ¶ We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the day when she shall be spoken for?

9 If she *be* a wall, we will build upon her a palace of silver: and if

she *be* a door, we will inclose her with boards of cedar.

10 I *am* a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found favour.

11 Solomon had a vineyard at Baalhamon; he let out the vineyard unto keepers; every one for the fruit thereof was to bring a thousand *pieces* of silver.

12 My vineyard, which *is* mine, *is* before me: thou, O Solomon, *must have* a thousand, and those that keep the fruit thereof two hundred.

13. Thou that dwellest in the gardens, the companions hearken to thy voice: cause me to hear *it*.

14 ¶ Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart upon the mountains of spices.

## DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

The marriage relationship in the Song of Solomon is used to describe the relationship between Christ and the Church (Ephesians 5:23-33). This applies not only to all believers of the Church Age, but also to the local church. Paul saw each local church wedded to Christ and in danger of being seduced into sin by Satan and the world. Just as husband and wife are one and belong to each other, so Christ and His Church are one. We are bone of His bone, flesh of His flesh—He is in us, we are in Him. He loved us and showed that love by dying on the cross for us.

The practical meaning of this book is that of faithful love and deepening communion. The very intimate terms used in the book only illustrate the wonderful love between Christ and the Christian. Love and marriage illustrate the Christian life through sal-

vation. Because of salvation we are married to Christ. Marriage involves the whole person—mind, heart, will, and body. When a man and woman are married, there is also a sense of great dedication. All that they are and all that they have belongs to each other. Their bodies are not their own. They live to please the other. So it is with the Christian life. Our bodies belong to Christ, and we should live completely submitted unto Him and separated from the world.

At the close of this great book, I believe we should take account of our lives, and our love and devotion for Christ. Satan is trying to destroy the relationship between Christ and His children, as well as the relationship between husband and wife. In addition, he is working hard in trying to put a wedge between Christ and the Church. The precious Word of God is our defense. It alone can ward off the tempta-

tions of Satan and the world.

## **PROVERB FOR TODAY**

“Debate thy cause with thy neighbour himself; and discover not a secret to another” (Proverbs 25:9).

## **TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING**

**ASSIGNMENT 26:** For today’s memory verses, follow instructions on page 8.

## **BIRTHDAY TODAY**

**KEITH WILLIAMS**

## **ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY**

**1894**

### **THE CHINESE-JAPANESE WAR BEGAN.**

Pray for peace between nations. Pray for God to hasten the day when men shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks and shall not war against each other any more. Pray for God’s people in China. One of the missionaries our church supports, Linton Smith, labors in China. Pray for Christians in Japan and for missionaries who labor in this needy field. Perhaps you know some missionaries in this area for whom you could pray today. There was never a day Japan was as westernized as it is today. Would God we could give them the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**1908**

### **THE FIRST FLIGHT ACROSS THE ENGLISH CHANNEL.**

Often it has been my privilege to fly across the United States, and once across the English Channel. May we thank God today for the miracle of the airplane. Not long ago, I returned from a trip to the Eastern United States. I flew non-stop from New Orleans to Los Angeles. In just a few hours, I left my motel, went to the airport, flew from New Orleans to Los Angeles, went to my car parked at the Los Angeles airport and drove home to Ventura, where I was

scheduled to return to work the next day. All of this was made possible because of the miracle of the airplane. Thank God for it.

**1919**

### **THE FIRST PLANE SERVICE FROM NEW YORK TO CHICAGO BEGAN.**

**1915**

### **THE DATE OF THE BIRTH OF BRUCE TALLEY.**

Bruce Talley was pastor of the First Baptist Church of Tarrant, Alabama. Once again our minds turn to our pastors. Let us pray for them and uphold them as they labor in God’s service.

### **LET EACH OF US SPEND SOME TIME TODAY IN PRAISE TO GOD.**

More and more lately with the passing of days my heart has been abounding with praise. I find myself increasingly wanting to clap my hands and praise the Lord. This does not come forth in an open shouting, but rather my heart seems to overflow with praise to God for His goodness to me. Praise Him today. Read the last six Psalms. Read the first five verses of the 103rd Psalm. Let us join in praising His Name together.

## **ON THIS DATE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY**

**1918**

**RACE RIOT, CHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA.** Three blacks and two whites were killed.

**1964**

**RACE RIOT, ROCHESTER, NEW YORK.** Governor Nelson Rockefeller mobilized the National Guard.

**1972**

**U.S. HEALTH OFFICIALS CONCEDED THAT BLACKS HAD BEEN USED AS GUINEA PIGS** in forty-year syphilis experiment.

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# A Christian Life . . .

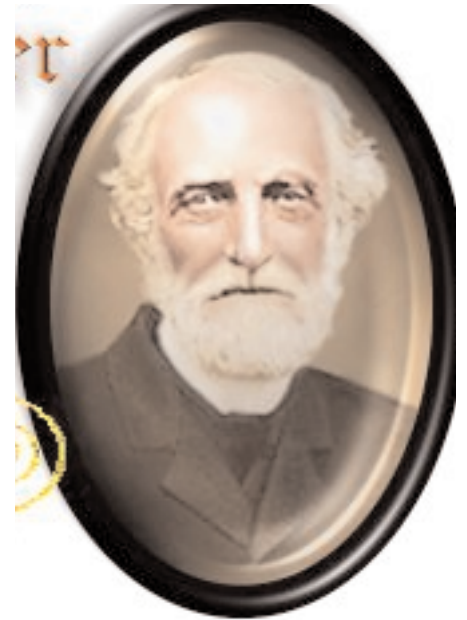
## GEORGE MUELLER (1805-1898)

**Christian philanthropist.** George Mueller was born and raised in Prussia and lived a life of sin and crime even while studying for the ministry of the State Church. He was converted at a prayer meeting in a private home and from that time on his life was changed. He moved to England and there sought acceptance by the London Missionary Society as a missionary to the Orient. Upon being rejected, he began to preach and to minister wherever the Lord opened the door.

This led him to Bristol, where, in 1834, he founded the Scriptural Knowledge Institution for Home and Abroad. One year later, he opened his first orphans' home for 26 girls with no financial assistance. By 1870 he had built five orphans' homes, and by prayer and faith in God was feeding 2100 orphans daily. He solicited no one and told only the Lord of the daily needs. Only born again Christians were accepted for service in the Institution, and their care of the orphans was spiritual as well as material. Many of the children were won to Christ each year.

The Scriptural Knowledge Institution also was instrumental in sending missionaries, Bibles, and Gospel literature around the world. The various schools operated by the Institution matriculated over 121,000 students with thousands of them receiving Christ while there. The Institution distributed almost 300,000 Bibles in many different languages. In addition to one and one-half million New Testaments, 163 missionaries were sent out and/or supported, and over 111,000,000 tracts were distributed. In all, God poured out in response to the faith and prayers of George Mueller in a period of 63 years over \$7,500,000.00, which he wisely and prayerfully distributed in the spreading of the Gospel.

Mueller read the Bible through over 200 times, half of that on his knees, where he claimed the promise, "Open wide thy mouth, and I will fill it." He spent his last 17 years touring the world, telling of the blessing of a life of faith. He died at the age of 93, leaving an estate valued at less than one thousand dollars, for he had given back to the Institute almost one-half million dollars of the personal gifts he had received during 70 years of ministry.



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# Treasure Path to Soul-Winning

**MEMORY VERSE TOPIC FOR THIS WEEK:**

**QUALIFICATION FOR ANSWERED PRAYER**

(Assignment 26)

Please recite all three components of each of these five verses aloud, five times each morning, and five times each evening, for seven days. The three components of each verse are: Subject, Scripture Reference, and Scripture Text. (For more details, see “The Treasure Path to Soul Winning” link back on the DailyKJV page.)

## **Delight**

( ) Psalm 37:4

Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

## **Abide**

( ) John 15:7

If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

## **Receive**

( ) 1 John 3:22

And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

## **Succeed**

( ) 1 John 5:14-15

And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.